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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. Seventeen (17)

Part B for July 1926

SUBJECT

Appointment of Midwives for every Taluk in the State.

To The Senior Surgeon.

No 8 (O 307) — 8 11/6/26

Requests him to explain to the Assembly that proposal is not practicable as a sufficient number of trained dais is not available and as there may not be work for each midwife if one is appointed for every Taluk & the cost is also probibitive

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Rn 5584

FORM III. WD 1903—GPB—1,000—17-7-25

Memorandum of Resolutions proposed to be moved in the ..... Birthday ..... Dred. 49-78

Session of the Representative Assembly of the ..... Tumkur ..... District.

For the .... Birthday ..... Session of ..... June 192 6

Subject	Resolution.
Appointment of midwives for every Hobli of the Taluk in the State.	This Assembly recommends to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore that midwives be appointed to every Hobli of the Taluk in the state.

No.

Name of Member

Mr. J. Rudrappa,
Representative Assembly
Member, Tumkur.

Subject: This is a matter to be dealt with in the Vety Branch and therefore be transferred there as Midwives are paid from local funds

19/8/26 HK 155026.

Noted the contents with thanks return.

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Subd. It is seen from the report of Hospitals etc for the year 1924 that there are in all 156 midwives working in the State & the pay of these is met except in the case of a salaried midwife out of the funds of local bodies. The resolution is therefore purely a question of funds & affects the finances of those bodies. May the question be therefore referred to the Senior Surgeon for submitting formal proposals in consultation with the local bodies?

Subd for orders.

18/5/25 18/5/25

I find out if this subject had been brought up on former occasions. & do put up all previous references

20/5/25

The proceedings books & the file registers were looked into and this subject does not appear to have been brought ~~up~~ up before the Assembly in recent years. As the pay of all midwives attached to Local Fund Dispensaries is met from local funds the D.H.Rdo and the Councils will have to be consulted as to their

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willingness to bear the charge. The Senior Surgeon may also perhaps be consulted as to the necessity for the employment of so many midwives as recommended. Subordinates.

P.S. HK
21/5/26 21/5/1926

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The S.S. & Pdts of Dh Bds may perhaps be written to, calling for their opinion.

Secy) 21/5

First member. 22/5

Ves 22/5

Please call for the opinion of the two Bds

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Bds Subd per cable 25/5
P.S. HK 25/5/26
25/5/26

Secy 25

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To The Deputy Commrs of Dts.
The Presidents of the Dt. Boards of Dts.

No 9652-67 dt 26.5.1926

I Dr a copy of the Resolution proposed to be moved in the matter of appointment of Midwives for every Taluk of the Taluk and requests him to state his opinion on the necessity for the appointment of a midwife for each Taluk etc.

14 Letter No SC 1039-25-26 dated the 29th May 1926 from the President, Dt Bd, Dumka, Dts, reporting that the appointment of a midwife for each Taluk is very necessary, and that the question may be left to the discretion of the local bodies from whose funds they pay is made.

15. Letter No 6236-25-26 dated the 29th May 1926 from the Dy Comr, Sahibganj Dt, stating, for reasons given, that he is of opinion that the appointment of Midwife for every Taluk is unnecessary and that

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the usefulness of the measures would not be commensurate with the cost involved, for a long time to come.

16 Letter No 1446 S/25-28 dated the 23rd August 1928 from the Secy to Govt, Revenue Dept.

17. Letter No C2-A 1173/25 dated the 29th May 1926 from the Secy to Govt, Irrigation Dept.

18 Letter No Dis 307/25-26 dated the 29th May 1926 from the President, District Board, Rangpur to.

19 Letter No Dis 197 (A) 25-26 dated the 30th May 1926 from the President, District Board, Rangpur to.

20. Letter No Dis 1039 (A) 25-26 dated the 31st May 1926 from the President, District Board, Rangpur to.

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21 Letter no C 755/27. 25-26 dated the 6th June 1926 from the Dy Comr, Central Dist.

22 Letter no C 2142-25(H) dated the 2nd June 1926 from the Dy Comr, Hassan Dist.;

24 Letter no Lb 735-25-26 dated the 3rd June 1926 from the Resident, Bldg, Kadur Dt.,

25 Letter no B_2 dis, 1942 & 25-26 dated the 29th May 1926 from the Dy Comr, Tumkur Dt, forwarding suggestions on the Resolution proposed to be moved at the ensuing Session of the B.A. in June 1926 re the establishment of a midwife for each Taluk of a District.

A Statement showing in abstract the opinion of the several officers is put up below. The reports from the following officers have not yet been received: P T O

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(1) D.C. Shimoga. (Service Med. Officer in charge of the Dispensary)
(2) D.C. Kadur,
(3) D.C. Mysore.
(4) President, T.B.B., Kolar &
(5) President T.B.B. Hassan
for information & necessary action.

C.S. 7/6/26 HMK 9.6.26. Dove mo 7/6

Issued vide C. 10196-9 dt 8.6.1926

27 Letter No D2 TBC 267-25-26 dated the 3rd June 1926 from the Dy Commr, Shimoga to.

31 Letter No D2 TBC 26-25-26 dated the 2nd inst. from the Presidents, T.B.B., Kolar &c., stating that for financial grounds it may not be possible to appoint one midwife for each taluk, unless the Govt contribute subsidy - held for it.
Subs for financial. Replies are still due from the Dy Commr, Mysore &c, & the President, T.B.B., Hassan &c.; and reminders were issued to them on 8.6.26
C.S. 10/6/26 HMK 10.6.26

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The Govt Surgeon has been asked in accordance with instructions in Council to oppose this resolution. Please place the draft in the file when up

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32 Letter No D2 dis 0445/LB.25-26 dated the 29th January 26 from the Dy Comr, Mymensingh, stating that the appointment of a midwife for each thana is not feasible financially and suggesting for other means.

33 Letter No A.P. 735/25-26 dated the 4th January 26 from the Dy Comr, Khulna stating that the hon ble minister's opinion is the same as previously of the D.C. Khulna.

Submitted for approval

C.L.

15/6/26

MW 16/6

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23 Letter No EB 8136 dated the 15th June 1926 from the President, D.L.R.B., Hazaribagh, forwarding his opinion on the proposal to sanction a midwife for each thana in the State and offering certain suggestions in this connection.

This resolution was not taken up for discussion at the Assembly for want of time. Orders are solicited as to the further action if any that has to be taken in the matter now. [illegible] the file may be forwarded unofficially to the Senior Surgeon for suggesting some better relief in this direction, could be afforded to the people, particularly to those living in the rural areas taking into consideration the views and suggestions of the General by Council & Presidents in this connection.

Sd/-
15/7/26
Sd/-
6/7/26

Nearabouts up no 9/7

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Dewan writing from memory. –

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9/7

Subject of this resolution – namely posting midwives to each Hobli – was mentioned in some connection in discussing the budget and Govt stated that the proposal was impracticable. I believe the Representative Member accepted the reply on the assurance that more midwives would be employed as they were available & funds could be provided. The papers may perhaps be filed.

First Member 9/7

9/7 9/7 10/7

9.8K 12/7/26

Statement showing the opinions of the Deputy Commissioners of Districts and the Presidents of District Boards on the resolution proposed to be moved at the Representative Assembly in June 1926 regarding the appointment of a midwife for every Hobli of every Taluk in the State.

From	Abstract of Opinion.
1. The President District Board and Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District.	The appointment of a midwife for each Hobli is no doubt very necessary but the question may be left to the discretion of the Local Bodies as their funds permit, in view of the fact that the midwives' salaries are borne by them.
2. The Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District.	The appointment of a midwife for every Hobli is unnecessary, and ~~that~~ the usefulness of the measure would not be commensurate with the cost involved, for a long time to come.
3. The Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.	One Midwife may be appointed to be in charge of at least 2 Hoblies but these midwives should be better trained than now and the local Revenue Officers should have some control over their work.
4. The Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.	Pending the passing of the District Board and Village Panchayet Bills the consideration of the scheme of employing a midwife in every Hobli may be deferred.
5. President District Board, Bangalore District.	Considering the demand made from taluks for the services of midwives, the Financial aspect of the question, as also the work turned out by them now, appointments may be made gradually. Each Taluk must have two midwives, one at Taluk

headquarters and another at some important centre. The number may be increased as there is demand and ~~the~~ need.

By Commissioner

6. President, District Board, Shimoga.

For a total number of 40 Hoblies in the District, 34 Midwives have been employed although they are not exactly in hobli headquarters, many of them are situated in central places. The present unsatisfactory condition of the Local Bodies does not permit ~~of~~ the employment of more midwives. If each Hobli headquarter or a central place in it has to be provided with a midwife, this may be done under the Malnad Improvement Scheme as the Boards finances will not permit of paying extra contribution.

by Commissioner

7. President, District Board, Mysore District.

The appointment of midwives at each Hobli headquarters by the District Board is not possible financially and will not be beneficial for other reasons. The provision of more midwives and trained Dayes may be left to the initiative of village Panchetets in future, subject to sanction of suitable grants for training and for pay from State funds.

8. The Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District. (District Board)

The advantages accruing from the appointments of Midwives in all Hobli headquarter villages are not likely to be commensurate with the heavy cost involved. The best solution appears to be to ~~appoint~~ establish as many new dispensaries as possible in the rural parts with Midwives attached to them

9. The Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District.

. Midwives at each Hobli headquarter may be appointed as suggested in the course of five years, the scheme being introduced into the Malnad Taluks of Manjarabad, Belur and Alur and portions of the Arkalgud Taluk, in the first instance.

Deputy Commissioner

10. President, District Board, Kadur District.

Instead of increasing the number of midwives it would be better if a better class of women are attracted to work as midwives and paid higher remuneration and better training. Picked Sulagitties may be trained at District headquarters for six months in Midwifery and allowed to return to their villages after completion of their training. They may be paid a stipend during the period of their training and thereafter remunerated by fees for labour cases actually conducted by them. This experiment may be tried in two or three hoblies in the District in the coming year.

11. President, D.B., Kolar Dt.

States that it on financial grounds it may not be possible to afford a midwife to each hobli unless the Govt Contribute substantially for it.

12. The President, D.B., Hassan Dt.

States that it is desirable to have a midwife for each hobli and suggests that they may be entrusted with certain other duties

trained in ~~those~~ those subjects

Employment of more midwives in rural areas.

Senior Surgeon's note in connection with this resolution.

~~30.~~ Three hundred and eighty four midwives have to be employed, if the resolution is to be given effect to. The cost of this will come to Rs 1,15,200 per annum which is a recurring charge which will have to be wholly met by the District Boards. 15

There are at present 134 midwives attached to the several L.F. Dispensaries in the State. During the last year, these midwives conducted conducted 6290 cases at their Head Quarters and 922 cases in the surrounding villages or 7,212 cases in the aggregate, the average per head being 4.5 cases per month.

The total number of midwives in the whole State including those working in the Cities of Bangalore and Mysore (Maternity) and District Hospitals, is 165 and the number of cases conducted by them during 1925 was 12,288 which gives each midwife an average of 75 cases per annum or 6.2 cases per month.

Although the average work of the midwives viz., 6.5 cases per month is a little more than that fixed by Government; it is still true that the majority of the people have not sufficiently realised the benifit of utilising the services of trained midwives for delivery. They requisition the services of untrained dayes even when a trained midwifes is available and will readily attend for the mere asking. The conservatism is regrettable but ~~it~~ it is very much in evidence, nevetheless.

The whole cost of midwives including their pay, allowance, midwifery equipment, and rewards bills are chargeable to the District and Local Boards concerned. Wherever the necessity for an additional midwife is recognised, the District Board concerned can employ her with the sanction of Government. The question is wholly one of the District Board resources and ~~pla~~ policy. It has no bearing on the State Budget.

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SUBJECT.....

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Section Genl

File No. 49-25

Serial No. 11

Diary No. of letter replied to 5584

No. G 9652-67/Genl/1 each.

General and Revenue Secretariat

Genl)

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To (1) The Secretary Govt of India, (2) The Resident of the Nizam of Hyderabad.

Date of issue 26/5/26

Signed by Mr. J. S. M.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of the Resolution passed to be moved at the Sixth day Session of the L.A. of June 1926 in the matter of the establishment of Provincial

List of enclosures.....

Copied by.....

Examined by .....

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State and request
you to see, so far as
as to state whether
the several local
bodies are prepared
to meet the charges
in question and
whether in their
is any necessity
for the employment
of so many nurses
as recommended.

The question may
be treated as very
urgent and a reply
sent within three
days of the receipt
of this communication

I have &c

Sd/ [illegible]

Secy to Govt.

Medical Relief

Your opinion as to the necessity for the appointment of a district nurse for each habitation proposed and on the financial aspect of the proposal

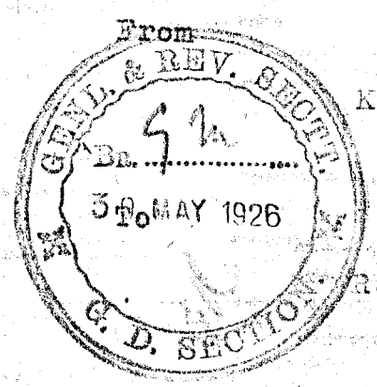
S.B.
25/5/26.

JMK 25-5-26

No 49-25-11

G.C. 1037
25-26

Office of the Deputy Commissioner &
President District Board,
Tumkur District.
Dated, Tumkur the, 29th May 1926.



From

K.V. Anantaraman, Esquire, B.A.,

President District Board, Tumkur.

To

R. Ranga Rao, Esquire, B.A., B.L.,

Secretary to Govt: of Mysore, Medical &

Agricultural Departments, Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.G. 9652-67/Med 49-25-11 dated the 26th instant forwarding a copy of the Resolution proposed to be moved at the Birthday Session of the Representative Assembly of June 1926 in the matter of the appointment of midwives for every hobli of the Taluk in the State, and calling for my opinion on the necessity for the appointment of a midwife for each hobli and on the financial and other aspects of the proposal, I have the honor to reply that the appointment of a midwife for each hobli is no doubt very necessary.

I am further of opinion that the question of appointment may be left to the discretion of the Local bodies as their funds permit in view of the fact that the midwives salaries are borne by them.

I have the honor to be,

sir,

Your most obedient servant.

H. Anantaraman

For President District Board,
Tumkur.

AD.29/5.

In reply, please refer to
No. G. 236 Mel 25-26
Enclosures. 1 Statement

Dated Chitaldrug, 29th May 1926.

Gen 5951
Med 49-25-15

FROM

S. VENKATRANGAM, ESQ., B.A., B.L.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

GENL. & REV. SECT.
Bg.
31 MAY 1926
G. D. SHOLAPUR

To

The Secretary to Government,
Medical and Agricultural Departments,
BANGALORE.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.G.9652-67/Med.49-25-11 dated 26th May 1926 forwarding copy of a resolution proposed to be moved at the Birthday session of the Representative Assembly of June 1926 recommending the appointment of Midwives for every Hobli and requesting my opinion on the necessity for the appointment of a midwife for each Hobli and on the financial and other aspects of the proposal, I have the honor to state that from the enclosed statement it is seen that of the 12 midwives at present attached to Local Fund Dispensaries in the District only 6 attended to the prescribed minimum number of labour cases and the number of cases attended to by the remaining six midwives at Molakalmuru, Chellakere, Hiriyur, Malebennur, Jagalur and Bharmasagara was very low especially at Molakalmuru, Hiriyur, Malebennur and Bharmasagar. Evidently, the services of the existing midwives themselves are not availed of freely by the villagers concerned. If, in addition, all the Hobli Head Quarter places have to be given the services of a midwife, 21 more midwives will have to be appointed for this District at an extra cost of about Rs. 6000 or more per year with no proportionate results. After a careful consideration of all aspects of the question, I am of opinion that the appointment of a midwife for every Hobli is unnecessary and that the usefulness of the measure would not be commensurate with the cost involved for a long time to come.

I have the honor to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient servant,

S. Venkatrangam
Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

S.V.

Statement showing the No. of mid-wives in the Chitaldrug district and the n
labour cases attended to by each & the cost incurred during 1924-25.

Dispensary to which the midwife is attached.	No. of mid-wives	No. of labour cases attended to during 1924-25	No. of labour cases attended to during 10 months in the year 1925-26	their present pay.	Total cost incurred in 24-25 from district funds	Total cost incurred in 24-25 from municipal funds.	Average cost per year for each mid-wife	Remarks
Civil Hospital, Chitaldrug	1	-	-	20-0-0	110-15-0	-	-	Relieving
Female Dispensary - do -	1	140	120	20-0-0	1652-6-10	15-25-1-2	Rs 264/-	
L.F. Dispensary, Molakalmuru	1	3	17	20-0-0				
- do - Challakere	1	56	40	23-0-0				
- do - Hiriyur	1	28	27	20-0-0				
- do - Hosadurga	1	103	65	23-0-0				
- do - Holalkere	1	62	32	20-0-0				
Female Dispensary, Davangere	2	179	125	20-0-0				
L.F. Dispensary, Harihar	1	78	34	20-0-0				
- do - Malebennur (Honnali Tq)	1	35	42	20-0-0				
- do - Jagalur	1	57	25	30-0-0				
do - Bhadravati (do)	1	5	15	20-0-0				

Chitaldrug,
29/5/26

For Deputy Commissioner
Chitaldrug District

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, KOLAR DISTRICT.

No: 1469/25-26
Encs.

Dated Kolar, the 29th M A Y 1926.

From

S. HIRIANNAIYA, ESQ., M.A., B.L.,
Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.

To

R. Ranga Rao, Esq., B.A.,B.L.,
Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Medical and Agricultural Departments,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.G. 9652-67/Med. 49-25-11 dated 26-5-26 calling for my opinion on the resolution relating to the appointment of midwives for every hobli of the taluk in the state, I have the honour to state that on the principle that an extension of medical relief in rural areas is urgently called for I am in favour of stationing one midwife to be in charge of at least two - hoblis. But these midwives should be better trained than they now are and the local Revenue Officers should have some control over their work while technically they may remain under the supervision of the Taluk medical officer.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Treasury Assistant Commissioner,
For Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District.
(Absent from station).

A.R.
29/5.

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In all future correspondence please quote
No. C.2-L.1173/26.
Encl. One.

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
BANGALORE DISTRICT.

Dated Bangalore, the 29th May *1926.*

Med 49-25-17

FROM

B. VENKOBA RAO, ESQ., B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

GOVT. OF MYSORE
Rs. 9m
1 JUN 1926
G. D. SECTION

To

R.Ranga Rao, Esqr., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Medical and Agricultural Departments.

SIR,

With reference to your letter No.G.9652-67/Med.49-25-11 dated the 26th May 1926 calling for my opinion on the necessity for the appointment of a midwife for each Hobli and on the financial and other aspects of the proposal, I have the honour to submit herewith a note giving my opinion in the matter.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

B Venkoba Rao

Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.

Note re: the appointment of a midwife to every Hobli.

The existing state of things:--

At present all the Taluk head quarters in the Bangalore District have got a midwife. In addition to these places each of the Hobli headquarters of Thyamagondlu, Sarjapur, Vadigenhalli, Varturu, and Yelahanka have also been given a midwife. No midwife is employed in a place where there is ~~no~~ no Local Fund Dispensary. From the Budget estimates of the Bangalore District Board for the year 1925-26 it is seen that a sum of Rs.2703/- has been provided for on account of cost of midwives and maternity. The expenditure incurred by the District Board on this account during 1924-25 was Rs.3064/-. It is reported that the number of cases treated by midwives in the rural area in 1923-24 and 1924-25 was 156 and 183 respectively. The figures go to show that either the villagers do not like to call on midwives to attend to labour cases, or that midwives are not readily available.

Financial and other aspects of the question if midwives are to be appointed for every Hobli:--

In the Urban area, the Local Bodies (District Board and Municipalities) are meeting the cost of employing midwives, their Travelling Allowance etc. In the rural area the entire cost is met by the District Board. In the Bangalore District, there are 52 Hoblis. Omitting the places where midwives are already employed there are still 37 Hobli head quarter places where midwives are to be employed. The pay of a midwife ranges from Rs.20/- to Rs.30/- per mensem. In addition to her pay the following charges have also to be met by the District Board viz., Travelling Allowance to midwife, Reward to midwife and purchase of

of midwifery articles. The minimum cost of employing a midwife comes up to Rs.35/- a month. Thus for all the 37 Hoblis, the entire cost comes up to nearly Rs.1295/- per month or Rs.15,540/- per annum. The Local Body will have to eventually meet a portion of the pension of the midwives employed in the rural area also.

From the Budget estimates of the Bangalore District Board for 1925-26, it is seen that the normal expenditure is more than the normal receipts by about Rs.10,000/- and it is hardly possible for the District Board to meet the extra cost from the normal receipts.

The agency which has to supervise the work of midwives if a midwife is appointed for every Hobli, viz., whether it is Sub Assistant Surgeon of the Taluk, or whether it is the Local Bodies or village Panchayats which meet the cost of employing a midwife is a matter for consideration. Pending the passing of District Board and Village Panchayat bills, the consideration of the scheme of employing a midwife in every Hobli may be deferred.

B Subba Rao

Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Dist.

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT,
BANGALORE DISTRICT BOARD,
Bangalore....29th....M.a.y.....1926.

No 2g Dis 307/25-26.

FROM

B. ABDUR RAHMON ESQ, B.A.,
PRESIDENT, DISTRICT BOARD,
BANGALORE.

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
MAY 29 1926
BANGALORE DIST.

To

R.RANGA RAO, ESQ., B.A.,B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,Medical and Agri-
cultural Departments, BANGALORE.

(THROUGH THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,BANGALORE DISTRICT.)

SIR,

With reference to your letter No.G.9652-67/Med.49-25-11, dated 26th May 1926, re: the appointment of a midwife for every hobli in the District, I have the honour to append herewith a note on the subject.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

B. Abdur Rahmon

President, District Board,
Bangalore District.

Forwarded with compliments.

Deputy Commissioner
Bangalore District
31-5-26.

Office of the President, District Board, Bangalore District,
Dated, Bangalore, the 29th May '26.

N o t e.

Re: appointment of midwives in every hobly Head Quarters.

There are at present about 52 hoblies in the District. So at the rate of about Rs.20/- for each midwife the cost would work up to about Rs.12,500/- per year, if one midwife is given to each hobli. At present there is one midwife attached to each Local Fund Dispensary -- some Taluks have one dispensary and other Taluks have two. There has been demand for an additional midwife from all such Taluks where there is only one midwife. So it can be understood that the services of these midwives are not useful to all the people. The advantage of these trained women needs no comment, but the people in rural parts require to be educated about the advantages of this kind of aid. Considering the demand made from Taluks, the financial aspect of the question, as also - the work turned out by these midwives now, appointments may be made gradually, as there are demands. Each Taluk must have two midwives, one at Taluk Head Quarters and another at some important centre. The number may be increased as there is demand and need.

B. Rahimon

President, District Board,
Bangalore District.

No D2 Dis 197 L13-5-26

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT, DISTRICT BOARD.
SHIMOGA DISTRICT.

Shimoga, Dated the 31st May *192*6

Med 49-25-19

From

A.K. Syed Taj Peeran, Esq., B.A.,

President, District Board,
Shimoga District.

To

R. Ranga Rao, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to Government,
Medical & Agricultural Departments,
BANGALORE.

THROUGH THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, SHIMOGA DISTRICT.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. G. 9652-67/Med. 49-25-11 dated the 26th instant about the appointment of Midwives for every Hobli of the Taluk in the State, I have the honour to state that the representation of entertaining more midwives has great force especially in the Malnad Districts where infant mortality is abnormal. In fact this was one of the subjects that engaged the attention of the late Malnad Improvement Committee. When a recommendation was made to Government by the Committee, the subject was ordered to be deferred for financial stringency.

So far as this District is considered, for a total number of 40 Hoblis, 34 Midwives have been employed under various funds as detailed below:-

i.	Midwives attached to the Local Fund Dispensaries.	24.
ii.	do do Malnad Improvement -do-	6.
iii.	do entertained out of Malnad Improvement and Taluk Board Funds in rural areas.	4.

The Talukwar distribution is noted below. Although they are not exactly in Hobli Headquarters, many of them are situated

situated in central places.

Name of Taluk.	No.of Hoblis.	No.of midwives employed in the Taluk.
Shimoga.	4	4
Channagiri	4	2
Honnali	3	2
Shikarpur	5	2
Sorab	6	3
Sagar	6	8
Nagar	5	5
Tirthahalli	5	7
Kumsi	2	1
	40	34

The present unsatisfactory condition of the Local Bodies does not permit of employing more Midwives. If each Hobli Head Quarter or a central place in it, has to be provided with a Midwife, this may be done under the Malnad Improvement Scheme as the Board's finances will not permit of paying extra contribution.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

President,

District Board, Shimoga.

SUBMITTED.

Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District.

Office of the President, District Board,

Mysore District,

Dated, Mysore, the 29th/31st May 1926.

From

A. V. Ramanathan, Esq., B.A.,

President, District Board of Mysore,

M y s o r e.

To

B. Nagappa, Esq., Bar-At-Law.

Secretary to the Government of His

Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

Local and Legislative Departments,

B a n g a l o r e,

Sir,

With reference t o your letter No.G.9652-67/Med-49-25-11 dated the 26th May 1926 requesting my opinion regarding the appointment of midwives in every Hobli of the Taluk in the State, I have the honour to state as follows:-

There are now 27 midwives in the District including the relieving midwife. The cost of these mofussil midwives aggregate Rs.6875 annually. In addition to this, one third of the annual costs of the Vani Vilasa Maternity Hospital, Mysore, is also being borne by the District Board and this outlay amounts to Rs.5847.

The charges relating to Medical Relief are on the increase owing to the opening of one or two Local Fund Dispensaries -- newly every year. It is also incumbent upon the Board to provide accommodation for the location of the dispensaries and quarters for the Medical Staff. The outlay on this account comes up to about Rs.8000 annually.

The recurring charges under other items of expenditure -- such as Veterinary Dispensaries, Vaccination, Improvement of sanitation etc., in villages, provision for Drinking Water wells etc., ~~were~~ are increasing every year.

From

The P r e s i d e n t,
District Board of Mysore,
M y s o r e.

To

The Secretary to the Government of
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,
Local and Legislative Departments,
Bangalore.

Dated 29th } May 1926
Despatched 31st }

Received

General No. Dr Dis 10392-13 25-26.

Enclosure No. One

Subject.

Submitting opinion regarding the appointment of midwives in every Hobli of the Taluk in the State.

There are about 80 Hoblies in this District and in most of the Hobli Head Quarters there are no Municipalities. The cost of the midwives at places where there ~~are~~ no Municipalities has to be entirely borne by the District Board. At present in cases in which the Municipal Councils are not in a position to contribute towards the cost of midwives, the entire cost is borne by the District Board.

Taking the minimum pay of the midwives Viz., Rs.20 per mensem the total cost of appointing a midwife at each Hobli Head Quarters will come upto Rs.1600 per mensam or Rs.19200 per annum.

It is seen from the annual statistics that the number of labour cases conducted by midwives in villages is not large and the main cause is that the villagers have not yet realised the importance and usefulness of securing the services of midwives.

The existing midwives are not local women and at the District Conference held yesterday, it was represented that the services of midwives could be more freely utilised, if women of each locality are trained as midwives. Another subject that was brought for discussion was the grant of scholarships to local Doyees and barber midwives for getting them trained in clean methods. Thereby a class of women who will remain in their own places and be more popular in conducting labour cases can be brought into existence.

I am of opinion that the appointment of midwives at each Hobli Head Quarters by the District Board is not possible financially and will not be beneficial for other reasons as stated above.

The provision of more midwives and trained Doyees may be left to the initiative of Village Panchayets in future subject

to sanction of suitable grants for training and for pay from State Funds.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

P r e s i d e n t,

District Board of Mysore.

List of midwifes employed:----

1. Seringapatam
2. Krishnarajapet
3. Malavalli
4. Gundlupet
5. Chamarajanagar
6. Nanajangud
7. Kalale
8. Thagadur
9. Hunsur
10. Yedatore
11. Nagamangala
12. Mandya
13. Basaral
14. French Rocks
15. Maddur
16. Bannur
17. T.Narsipur
18. Talakad
19. Heggadadevanakote
20. Sargur
21. Periyapatna
22. Saligrama
23. Mirle
24. Arakere
25. Melkote
26. Bettadapura
27. Bellur
28. Hura
28. Akkihebbal
26. Kagalvadi
27. Relieving midwife

In reply, please refer to
No. C 7552 f/25-26
Enclosures. 1-6-26

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

Dated Chitaldrug, 30th May 1926.

Med 49-25-21

FROM

S. VENKATRANGAM, ESQ., B.A., B.L.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

GENL. & REV. SECTION
Br. To
2 JUN. 1926
G. D. SECTION

The Secretary,
Medical and Agricultural Departments,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.G. 9652-67/Med.49-25-11 date 26-5-1926 calling for my opinion in the matter of the appointment of midwives for every Hobli, I have the honor to state as follows:-

There are already 14 midwives attached to the local Civil Hospital and the several Local Fund Dispensaries in this District and the number of labour cases attended to by them was 716 in the Municipal Towns and 30 in the rural areas during 1924-25. Considering the large number of births recorded in the rural parts during that year the cases attended to by ~~midwives~~ midwives cannot by any means be said to be satisfactory. At present even people in the Towns and villages in their vicinity where the services of midwives are readily available do not utilise them except when special trouble arises or is anticipated. Even in these rare cases when their help is sought for it is generally the skill and scientific knowledge of the Sub Assistant Surgeons concerned that is ultimately counted upon. There does not therefore seem to be any pressing necessity for the appointment of a midwife for each Hobli at present. Moreover the appointment of ~~midwives~~ midwives in all Hobli Head Quarters villages would cost nearly an additional Rs. 9000/- per annum in this District alone and the advantages accruing therefrom are not likely to be commensurate with the heavy cost involved. I am ~~not~~ therefore not in favour of this proposal.

If, however, the members of any Village Imporvement Committees, or Panchayets or Local Bodies consider that there is sufficient scope for engaging the services of a midwife in their neighbourhood one may may be sanctioned for them experimentally if they show their earnest-

earnestness in the matter by undertaking to bear a portion of the cost of her employment. Even then it is apprehended that the midwife appointed will be without proper local control and as such she may not prove sufficiently efficient and useful to the public. The best solution appears therefore to be in the establishment of as many new dispensaries as possible in such rural parts with midwives attached to them.

There are now several places in the District where the want of Local Fund Dispensaries is keenly felt and this is being attended to gradually by the District Board as funds permit.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,

Chitaldrug District.

No. C. 2142-25 (A)

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Hassan District,
Dated Hassan, the 2nd June 1926.

Med 49-25-23

From

R. Nanasamy Rao, Esquire.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Hassan District.

To

R. Ranga Rao, Esquire., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to Government,
Medical and Agricultural Departments,
B a n g a l o r e.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. G. 9652-67/Med; 49-25-11 dated 26th May 1926, calling for an expression of my opinion in the matter of the appointment of midwives for each hobli in the State, which proposition Mr. J. Rudrappa, B.R.A. Member of the Tumkur District proposes to move in the ensuing Birthday Session of the Representative Assembly, I have the honour to state that it is not clear whether Mr Rudrappa means that a midwife should be appointed at each hobli head quarter or anywhere in the hobli. The necessity for a midwife for each hobli is no doubt great and the proposal of Mr. Rudrappa deserves every consideration of Government.

2. There are 48 hoblies in this District. Besides the midwives attached to the Local Fund Dispensaries at the respective Taluk Head Quarters which are also the Head Quarters of the hoblies of the same name, the District Board have entertained a midwife at each of the marginally noted places out of the funds of the Taluk and District Boards. If midwives have to be appointed at hobli head quarters, about 44 additional midwives will be required and the cost thereof will be Rs. 20 x 44 x 12 or Rs. 10,560/- per annum, besides the pensionnary and other ~~other~~ charges of these midwives.

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1 Grama · Grama Hobli, Hassan Taluk.
2. Nittur Salagame Hobli,
3. Bylahalli Hassan Taluk
4. Jamagal Javagal, Arsikere Taluk.
5. Gandasi Gandasi ~~Hobli~~ "
6. Nuggihalli Nuggihalli, Chennaraipatna Taluk

It appears to me that this provision of midwives at each hobli head quarters may be made in the course of ~~say~~ 5 years.

Further, I am of opinion that the scheme may be introduced into the malnad Taluks of Manjarabad, Belur and Alur and portions of

portions of Arkalgud Taluk, in the first instance.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Hassan District.

No. LB 135

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT,
Kadur District Board,

Dated, Chickmagalur 3rd June 192 6.

nad 49-25-24

From

G. B. Heblikar, Esquire, B.A., LL.B.,
President, District Board,
Kadur District,
CHICKMAGALUR.

R. Ranga Rao, Esquire, B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to Government,
Medical and Agricultural Departments,
BANGALORE.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. G. 9652-67/Med. 49-25-11 dated 26-5-1926, requesting me to furnish my opinion in the matter of the necessity of appointing a midwife for each hobli, I have the honour to state that there are 33 hoblies and 24 dispensaries in this District. There are thus only 9 hoblies without midwives.

It is not possible for me to calculate the cost of this scheme. I daresay the Senior Surgeon will be in a position to give the exact amount of additional cost of this scheme when it is stated that 9 additional midwives will have to be appointed for this District.

While admitting that the appointment of midwives in the interior villages will be a step in their right direction, personally I doubt the expediency of making this experiment under the existing conditions. At present even the midwives attached to moffusal dispensaries are rarely called in for conducting labour cases probably because the classes from which they come are looked askance at by and most of the midwives do not inspire sufficient confidence in the minds of the people.

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In my opinion instead of increasing the number of midwives it will be better if a better class of women are attracted by the offer of higher remuneration and are given a better training, as at present. I have offen heard the complaint that the existing midwives as a class are in no way better than the untrained (ಹುಬ್ಬಸ್ತಿ) "Sulagittis. - There are of course some good midwives to be found here and there. But they are rarely if ever posted to moffusal places and never to the malnad. No useful purpose will be served by the appointment of a large number of such midwives as they will remain almost throughout the year.

If on account financial considerations it is not possible to appoint respectable and sufficiently educated women with a better training and on higher salaries, some picked "Sulagittis" may be trained at District Head Quarters, say for six months under the Lady Medical Officers and allowed to return to their villages on the completion of their training. Instead of granting them salaries the Government may give them a stipend during the period of training and thereafter remunerate them by fees for labour cases actually conducted by them.

I would suggest that this experiment may be tried in 3 or 4 hoblies in this District in the coming year.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner
&
President,
Kadur District Board.

N.R.

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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
TUMKUR DISTRICT.

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No. 1942

Dated Tumkur, 29th May 1926

FROM V.V.Anantaraman, Esquire, B.A.,
THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
TUMKUR DISTRICT.

To R. Ranga Rao, Esquire, B.A., B.L.,
THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF
HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE,
Medical & Agricultural DEPARTMENTS,
BANGALORE.

GENL. & REV. BR. 4 JUN 1926

SIR,

With reference to your letter No.G. 9652-67 Med 49-25-11 dated 26th instant calling for my opinion on the necessity for the appointment of a midwife for each hobli, I have the honor to forward herewith a copy of letter No. of even date addressed to you by me as President of the District Board, furnishing my opinion in the matter.

I have the honor to be,

sir,

Your most obedient servant.

For Deputy Commissioner,
Tumkur District.

Office of the Deputy Commissioner &
President District Board,
Tumkur District.
Dated, Tumkur the, 29th May 1926.

From

K.V. Anantaraman, Esquire, B.A.,

President District Board, Tumkur.

To

R. Ranga Rao, Esquire, B.A., B.L.,

Secretary to Govt: of Mysore, Medical &

Agricultural Departments, Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.G. 9652-67/Med 49-25-11 dated the 26th instant forwarding a copy of the Resolution proposed to be moved at the Birthday Session of the Representative Assembly of June 1926 in the matter of the appointment of midwives for every hobli of the Taluk in the State, and calling for my opinion on the necessity for the appointment of a midwife for each hobli and on the financial and other aspects of the proposal, I have the honor to reply that the appointment of a midwife for each hobli is no doubt very necessary.

I am further of opinion that the question of appointment may be left to the discretion of the Local bodies as their funds permit in view of the fact that the midwives salaries are borne by them.

I have the honor to be,

sir,

Your most obedient servant.

For President District Board,
Tumkur.

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Med 49-25-24

D.2.Dis.963/25-26

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District,
Dated, Shimoga the 3rd June 1926.

From

A.M.Syed Taj Peeran, Esquire., B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District.

To

R.Ranga Rao, Esquire., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to Government,
Medical and Agricultural Departments,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.G.9652-67-Med. 49-25-11 dated the 26th May 1926, calling for my opinion regarding the resolution proposed to be moved at the Birthday Sessions of the Representative Assembly of June 1926 in the matter of the appointment of Midwives for every Hobli of the Taluk in the State, I have the honour to enclose herein a copy of my letter No.D.2.Dis.197/25-26 (Local Board) dated 31-5-1926 as president of the District Board addressed to you in the same matter, I have nothing further to add to the same.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

For Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District.

SKN.

Letter No.D2 Dis 197of 25-26 dated 29th May 1926 from the President, District Borab,Shimoga to the Secretary to Government,Medical and Agriculture Departments,Bangalore.

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With reference to your letter No.G.9652-67/Med.49-25-11 dated the 26th Instant,about the appointment of Midwives for every Hobli of Taluk in the State, I have the honour to state, that the representation of entertaining more midvies has great force especially in the Malnad Districts where infant mortality is abnormal. In fact this was one of the subjects that engaged the attention of the late malnad Improvement Committee. When a recommendation was made to Government by the Committee, the subject was ordered to be deferred for Financial stringency. So far as this District is considered,for a total number of 40 Hoblies,34 Midvies have been employed under various funds, as detailed below :-

1. Midwives attached to the L.F.Dispensaries. 24
2. Midwives attached to M.I.Dispensaries. 6
3. - do - entertained out of Malnad Improvement and Taluk Board Funds in rural areas. 4.

The Talukwar distribution is noted in the margin. Although they are not exactly in Hobli Head-quarters. Many of them are situated in central places. The present unsatisfactory condition of the Local bodies does not permit of employing more midwives. If each Hobli Head-quarter or a Central Place in it, has to be provided with a midwife, this may be done under the maland improvement scheme as the Borad's Finances will not permit of paying extra contribution.

Name of Taluk.	No.of Hoblies.	No. of Midwives employed in the Taluk.
Shimoha.	4	4
Chennagiri.	4	2
Honnali.	3	2
Shikarpur.	5	2
Sorab.	6	3
Sagar.	6	8
Nagar.	5	5
Tirtahalli.	5	7
Kumsi.	2	1
Total.	40	34

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For Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District.

No. 62 Misc 26

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KOLAR DISTRICT

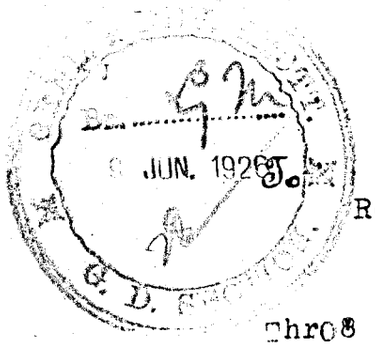
Dated, (Camp) Kolar, the 29th May 1926

Med 49-25-31

From

C. B. GOPALA RAO ESQUIRE,

President. District Board, Kolar.



To

R. R A N G A Rao, Esq, B.A.,B.L.,

Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Medical and Agricultural Departments, Bangalore.

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(THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, KOLAR DISTRICT).

Sir,

With reference to ydur letter No.C. 9652-67/Medl.49-25-11 dated the 26th May 1926, calling for my opinion in the matter of the appointment of midwives for every hobli of the Taluk in the State, I have the honour to state that though it is desirable to have a midwife for each hobli as suggested, the resolution could not be given effect to in the present financial condition of the Local Boards.

2. There are 13 midwives now employed and the contribution for their pay alone comes to Rs. 2094/- per annum. As the pay of the midwives in rural areas have to be paid for in full from the Local Board funds, the cost for maintaining 42 more candidates at Rs.20/- a.month will be Rs.10,080/- per annum, in addition to reward for extra labour cases, travelling allowance etc., for which another Rs.1000/- may be required. There are 55 hoblies in the District and therefore it may not be possible to appoint a midwife to each hobli unless the Government contribute substantially for it.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

C B Gopala Rao
President,
District Board, Kolar.

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To

The Senior Surgeon in Mysore,
Bangalore.

G 10307 & 11.6.26

S i r,

I am directed to invite your attention to Resultion No.7 to be moved at the ensuing Budget Session of the Representative Assembly recommending the appointment of midwives for every hobli in the State and to request that you may explain to the Assembly that the proposal is not practicable as a sufficient number of trained hands is not available and as there may not be work for each midwife if one is appointed for every hobli and the cost is also prohibitive.

I have etc.,

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~~Chief~~ Secretary to Govt.
Medl & Sanl Depts.

No. Dr Dis 1046 L-6
25-26

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,

Mysore District,

Dated, Mysore, the 9th June 1926.

From

A. V. Ramanathan, Esq., B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District,
M y s o r e.

REV. & REV. Bg. 9 Jn 11 JUN. 1926 G. D. SECTION.

To

R. Ranga Rao, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
Medial and Agricultural Departments,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.G.10196-9/P.P.4-9-25 dated 8th June 26 regarding the appointment of a midwife for each Hobli in a Taluk, I have the honour to state that my opinion in the matter as President of the District Board of Mysore has been reported to Government in this office letter No.D2.Dis.1039/L.B.25-26 dated the 29/31st May 26. I am of opinion that the appointment of midwives at each Hobli Head Quarters by the District Board is not possible financially and will not be beneficial for other reasons mentioned in this office letter quoted above. The provision of more midwives and trained dasis may be left to the initiative of Village Panchayets in future subject to sanction of suitable grants for training and for pay from State Funds.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,

Mysore District.

From

The Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore District,
M y s o r e.

To

The Secretary to the Government of H.H.
the Maharaja of Mysore,
Medical and Agricultural Depts.,
Bangalore.

Dated } 9th June 1926
Despatched }

Received

General No. Dr Dis 1046 Z-3
25-26

Enclosure No.

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Subject.

Submitting opinion in the matter of appointment of a midwife for each Hobli in a Taluk.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT, DISTRICT BOARD,
HASSAN, DATED 15th June 1926

Med 49-25-33

N. S. NANJUNDIAH, ESQ.,
PRESIDENT, DISTRCT BOARD,
HASSAN.

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
29784
18 JUN. 1926
HASSAN

R. Ranga Rao, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore, Medical & Agricultural
Departments, B a n g a l o r e.

Through the Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District.

Sir,

With reference to your No.C.9652-67/Med. 49-25-11, dated 26th May 1926, calling for my opinion on the necessity for the appointment of a Midwife for each hobli and on the financial and other aspects of the proposal etc., I have the honor to state that this is very desirable, but the cost in Malnad areas should be borne by Government, whereas in other maidan areas the same may be borne equally by the District Board and Government. In this connection, I wish to add that midwives should be entrusted with Vaccination work and they may also be supplied with Magic Lanterns and slides, charts and models relating to conception and development of the foetus, and child birth and complications therein etc., for giving lantern lectures to ladies in rural areas, in order to educate them in that respect and first aid etc., Further, they may also be supplied with kannada books dealing in midwifery etc., and discourses given to them in rural areas to ladies, as this will go a great way towards minimising infantile mortality.

GENL. BRANCH
Bn.
27 JUN 1926
G. D. SECTION

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Forwarded with compliments

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

President,
District Board, Hassan.